

## FIND ONLY 60,000 AMERICANS ABROAD

Consuls Declare Number Marooned in War Zone Over-estimated.

Advices reaching the State Department from Government representatives abroad indicate that the first reports of the number of Americans marooned in the European war zone were greatly exaggerated. Definite information was requested from the State Department by Secretary of War Garrison, to aid him in determining what means would be necessary to furnish transportation home for Americans abroad.

There are 20,000 Americans now in the British Isles, according to an estimate made by Lieut. Col. George O. Squier, military attaché at London. Reports from different points on the continent indicate that the total of Americans there will not run over 40,000. Previous estimates of Americans in England and on the continent ran as high as 200,000, and it was generally accepted by the Government that there were at least 150,000.

6,000 Sail For Home. The refugees in London were greatly reduced by the sailing of 6,000 yesterday and today from Liverpool, Rotterdam, and Antwerp. The sailing of the steamship Viking, which was chartered by a syndicate of Americans to take stranded tourists home, has been delayed, awaiting American registration. Isadora Duncan, the dancer, with eight American children and nineteen children of other nationalities under her charge, was among the passengers looked to sail on the ship.

The French military authorities are offering every facility to American citizens in France. Passenger service to London is intermittent. Former Senator and Mrs. Chauncey M. Depew were among the passengers who left Paris yesterday for London.

Reassuring news as to the condition of Americans in Europe has been received here. Railroad operation in France has been in a large measure, restored. Conditions are better in London. Secretary of War Garrison says that vessels of neutral countries probably will be chartered abroad to bring Americans home. He is working along this line because it would save time and money to obtain ships at nearby points rather than to send coastwise ships from this side to bring home Americans.

Gold Is First Need. Secretary Garrison believes that financial assistance, rather than means of transportation, is the first need of American tourists, and this is being supplied. "Need for Government aid in actual physical transportation has been considerably reduced in proportion by late dispatches," he said. "Gold is now in greater demand, and that is on the way. As soon as the bankers learn that we have the gold to redeem letters of credit, and other paper that trouble will be over."

For the relief of Americans, the Federal Government has authorized the ambassador at London to draw for \$300,000; at Paris, \$100,000; at Rome, \$25,000; at Madrid, \$25,000; at St. Petersburg, \$25,000; at The Hague, \$10,000. More will be sent as needed. Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo declared, after a meeting of the Government relief board late yesterday, that "it is discomfort and uneasiness which will be induced by Americans abroad and not actual peril or danger." Citizens were asked to view the situation with calmness. The relief board reiterated its former explanations that inquiries about Americans in Europe should be made at the State Department, and funds deposited for them at the Treasury Department or at any of the sub-treasuries.

As to the transportation question, the relief board says facilities will be provided as soon as the Government receives information as to where such aid is needed.

## Policeman Halts Flight With Leveled Revolver

His flight halted by a policeman's revolver pointed between his eyes, Jesse James Frazier, colored, eighteen years old, was arrested last night, after a pursuit that threw the country market stands along B street into an uproar. Frazier is charged with robbery. It is alleged that he grabbed a money bag containing \$12.50 from Milton Glascock, a Virginia farmer. Glascock had sold out his produce, and took the bag out to make change on his last sale, when Frazier, who was passing, grabbed it. It is declared. He ran, and Glascock and hundreds of others started in pursuit. They went east on B street amid wild excitement. Frazier was distancing the pursuit, when at Sixth street he was abruptly hit by crossing Policeman David Kerr and found a revolver leveled in his face. He gave up without a struggle.

## Declare Parisians Have Maltreated Germans

BERLIN (via London), Aug. 9.—A long editorial in the *Algemeine Zeitung*, a German living in Paris is given in the *Vorwerts* (Algemeine Zeitung). The paper declares that ever since the latter part of July Germans living in the French capital have been maltreated, since mobilization. It is stated, German restaurants, hotels, shops, and residences have been pillaged and wrecked, while the police have stood idly by.

## LAUREATE SINGS AT CALL OF WAR

LONDON, Aug. 9.—An appeal to British patriotism is made by Robert Bridges, the poet laureate, in a poem published in the Times. It follows, in part:

Thou careless, awaken!  
Thou peacemaker, fight!  
Stand, England, for honor  
And God guard the right!  
The Monarch Ambition  
Hath harnessed his slaves,  
But the folk of the ocean,  
Are free as the waves.  
Up, careless, awake!  
Ye peacemakers, fight!  
England, stand for honor!  
God defend the right!

## FRENCH WOMAN ACTING AS AERO SCOUT



HELENE DUTRIEN, Who Has Gained Distinction Among Aviators By Notable Flights. Offering Hut Services To the French Government Upon Germany's Declaration of War Against Her Nation, She Has Been Detailed To Frontier Scout Duty.

## WAR BULLETINS

LONDON, Aug. 9.—Automobile owners have been asked to furnish their cars to the government for use in transporting food and supplies from one camp to another. Over 1,000 car owners have consented to furnish their machines, if the emergency arises.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—Twenty-six complete batteries of 105-millimetre guns of a new type, ordered by a foreign government just before the war was declared, have been presented to the French government by the Creusot Steel Works. As the manipulation of the guns require special knowledge, a number of Creusot workmen have enlisted to handle them. The gift represents over \$3,000,000.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—That Austria-Hungary is sending two army corps from the central provinces to the assistance of the Germans on the Franco-Belgian frontiers was announced by the Central News. The Austrian forces operating against Serbia, it is announced, will remain intact.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 9.—A nephew of Emperor William, who was a commander of German cavalry, is believed here to be among the German prisoners of war and wounded.

BOSTON, Aug. 9.—The cruiser *Tennessee*, bearing 12,000 American marooned in Europe, was reported by wireless to be seventy-five miles off Cape Cod in a thick fog.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—English newspapers, fearing a famine of paper because of the war, have decreased the size of their publications. The newspapers have agreed not to carry any reports of the movements of British ships or soldiers.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—Unable to obtain cash here, John Feuerherd, grandson of the Duke of Portland, who recently married Josephine Brown, a Chicago actress, has been compelled to sell newspapers to provide his wife with money to live in a small room at a rental of twenty cents a day.

NAIRN, Scotland, Aug. 9.—Eighty-two Germans, brought here on three trawlers, have been ordered detained.

NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 9.—The *Vulcan*, a naval collier, will sail tomorrow for the coast, loaded with coal for the cruisers, which are carrying money to relieve Americans marooned in Europe.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—The *Petit Parisien*, of Paris, publishes a dispatch that the German cruiser *Augustburg*, which bombarded the Russian port of Libau, has been sunk by a Russian torpedo boat.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 9.—Religious and social enemies have been dropped, private homes have been converted into hospitals, and societies have been formed to distribute food to the needy, in the Russian capital. Families of reservists are being allowed to remain in their homes without the payment of rent.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 9.—Russia on the Galician frontier near Radziwillow, has been invaded by Austrian cavalry. The war office announces. Russian agents report that the Austria-Hungary forces along the border number 160,000, including eleven cavalry divisions, totaling 41,000 men. Austrian troops blew up a pier on their side of the bridge over the frontier river Zbrutich near Valotshik, and troops are preparing to attack Podolia, aiming their forces at Tarnorondo and Stanov.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—The house of commons has passed Secretary of Agriculture Runciman's bill giving the government power to seize all foodstuffs in case of necessity. Secretary Runciman said he believed the crisis is now past but the government wished to be prepared for emergency.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—King Albert has commended the army for the bravery displayed at Liege against greatly superior numbers. His majesty also sent greetings to the French army, which is coming to the aid of the Belgians. It is stated.

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by the London Post correspondent at Brussels that the German Seventh army corps is retreating toward Aix la Chapelle.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—The offer to provide a hospital ship for the British navy, made by the women of Canada, has been accepted.

HARWICH, England, Aug. 9.—Sixteen German reservists have been arrested at Haworth. It is reported here.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—Threats that an endeavor would be made to damage the water supply of various cities have been met with the installations of strong guards at the waterworks.

GENOA, Italy, Aug. 9.—The *Koenig Albert* and the *Moltke*, German trans-Atlantic liners, have been seized here by Italian officers on the ground that their captains were violating Italy's neutrality by taking on coal with which to supply German warships.

VIENNA, Aug. 9.—The Austrian minister departed from Cetinje immediately after the Montenegro government informed him that it considered itself in a state of war with Austria.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—Citizens of Alsace-Lorraine are to be enrolled in one of the foreign regiments being organized to help France, according to official announcement here.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—A building at Neuilly has been procured by the American ambulance corps for a hospital to accommodate the French wounded. Twelve doctors, including Dr. Joseph A. Blake, of New York, and twenty-four nurses have volunteered their services, and \$9,000 has been subscribed for the work. The French Red Cross has received offers of hundreds of private houses for hospital purposes.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—As chaplain of the London relief brigade, Bishop Arthur F. W. Ingram, of the diocese of London, will accompany the men to the front and will follow them wherever they go for at least six weeks.

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—Joseph Geir, an Austrian, was placed under a bond of \$300 to support his wife and children in the event he is compelled to leave for the front. City Magistrate C. M. Harris, sitting in the domestic relations court, made similar rulings in deciding several cases involving wives and families of reservists called to the front.

PEKING, Aug. 9.—Refugees reaching here from Tientsin say the German cruisers are away scouting, and this is supposed to account for the almost entire cessation of British commerce above Shanghai. The Russian legation here denies the report that Russian troops are to assist in a possible investment of Tientsin.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 9.—In addressing the council of the empire and the duma at the winter palace, the Russian Emperor expressed joy at the loyalty shown by his subjects in the war crisis, and expressed confidence in Russia's future.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—British warships in the North Sea, off Alderbury, have captured a large steamer, believed to be a North German Lloyd liner.

CETINJE, Montenegro, Aug. 9.—A large consignment of cannon of the latest type has been received from an unknown source by the government, which yesterday declared that a state of war existed with Austria. These cannon will be rushed to the Lowen and Butoman passes. Crown Prince Danilo.

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## THINKS NO ARMY CAN FORCE FRONTIER

Forts on Franco-German Line Too Strong To Be Taken, Prouty's Opinion.

"In my opinion, Germany cannot successfully invade France along the line of the Franco-German frontier proper, and France cannot invade Germany."

This was the view expressed today by Congressman Prouty of Iowa, who several years ago spent six months in Belgium and along the Franco-German frontier on a business trip. Judge Prouty is thoroughly familiar with the region about Liege, Namur, and the whole theater of the present campaigning. He talked about it today in most interesting fashion.

"Liege is another Pittsburgh," said Judge Prouty. "It lies on both sides of the Meuse. The fortifications about it are powerful, and troops, to attack some of them, must cross an open plain where they cannot help being mowed down. As soon as I read the first fighting would be at Liege I remarked to my secretary, 'Someone is going to get hurt.'"

Namur Even Stronger. "However, Liege is not as strong strategically as Namur. Namur stands on a range of hills and is one of the most admirably situated places for purposes of defense that I know of. If that place is attacked, there will be desperate fighting."

"The river in front of the town, which would have to be crossed by the assailants, adds to the difficulties which will confront any force that attacks the place."

All along the Franco-German frontier, on the French side and on the German side, there is a series of forts, equipped with modern, quick-firing guns. To look at them, it seems impossible that should be able to face the storm of death that will be hurled at the assailants and capture them.

"The Belgians speak French, and are an active intelligent people. They have more business with Germany than with France in times of peace. I must confess that while I formed a good opinion of them, I did not think they would prove to be fighters. It was my feeling while among them that they would have to be watched over by some more powerful nation or be swallowed up. I never supposed they were capable of putting up such a resistance as they have."

Forced Into Belgium. Because of the seeming impenetrability of the fortifications along the frontier between Germany and France, Judge Prouty sees substantial military reason why the German troops should be seeking to invade France through Belgium, though he feels Belgium's neutrality should be respected by its neighbors. He says it is entirely possible that another of the world's great battles will be fought at or near Waterloo.

BERLIN, Aug. 9.—Austrian cavalry has occupied the towns of Olkusz and Wolbrom in Russian Poland.

## CATHOLICS PRAY FOR PEACE TODAY

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—The following prayer for peace was said in all New York Catholic Churches today:

"O God, Whose will is sacred, Whose counsel is righteous and Whose works are just, grant to Thy servants, we beseech Thee, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts, being devoted to Thy commands and the fear of the enemy being removed, with Thy protection we may enjoy peace in this time. We ask this in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen."

## ALL CHURCHES PRAY FOR SPEEDY PEACE

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—Prayers for peace were offered in churches of all denominations throughout the country today. Most of the pastors also devoted their sermons to the war. The pastors of the German, French, Polish, and Hungarian churches asked for divine guidance in the great struggle.

The mass for peace was said at the Cathedral under the direction of Mr. Joseph F. Mooney, administrator of the diocese in the absence of Cardinal Farley.

Prayers for the success of the Russian arms were said at the Russian Cathedral of St. Nicholas. Similar services were held in each of the 200 Russian churches in this country.

The Russian ambassador and his wife, Mrs. Balhmetoff, accompanied by members of the embassy staff, attended services in this city.

In the ten chapels of Trinity parish the special ritual prepared by the Rev. Dr. Manning was read. Aside from prayers for peace, guidance, and hope, it contained petitions for rulers, physicians, nurses, soldiers, all afflicted by the conflict, and for this country, that it may be able to help.

There is a movement on foot in Jewish circles to have a "day of fasting and prayer" set apart for peace in Europe, as was done at the time of Mordecai, Esther, and Haman, when loss of life threatened the people. Some of the men at the head of the movement are Rabbi Mendez, Rabbi Margolis, and Rabbi Klein.

Under the auspices of the peace and arbitration committee of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, a meeting to pray for peace will be held Tuesday noon in the assembly hall of the American Bible Society, and such a gathering will take place there every Tuesday noon until the war is ended.

## PRESIDENT'S SISTER TELLS OF ESCAPE

Mrs. Wilson Howe Motored to Dieppe and Then Reached Paris by Train.

By WARRINGTON DAWSON.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—Mrs. Wilson Howe, President Wilson's sister, stood for hours in line with other American refugees at the American embassy, awaiting her passports and police identification cards. With her was little Miss Cothran Howe, President Wilson's favorite niece, and baby Josephine. Ambassador Herrick recognized Mrs. Howe and begged her to leave her place, promising to hurry her case.

"I prefer to take my turn with the others," Mrs. Howe declared. "I am not a person to be hurried."

Detailing today her experiences, Mrs. Howe said she was on the Normandy coast at the time of mobilization. "Troops poured into the town where I was staying," she said. "They were extremely courteous to me, appreciating the hardships that the enforced tie-up of the railways, by reason of the military movements, worked on me."

"One officer, quartered at the same hotel where I was, said: 'We hope to have you remain our friend, as you may have to remain some time. I finally obtained a motor car to Dieppe and thence came to Paris by train.'"

## FOUR LINERS SAIL: TAKE RISKS OF WAR

Crowded With Passengers and Merchandise on Departure From New York.

Four ships of the International Mercantile Marine, with a total carrying capacity of nearly 100,000 tons, sailed yesterday from New York for European ports, according to advices received in this city at the local office of the company.

They were the *Olympic*, 48,250 tons, and the *Adriatic*, 25,000 tons, of the White Star line, bound for Liverpool; the *Minnehaha*, 13,000 tons, of the Atlantic Transport line, for London; and the *Vaderland*, of the Red Star line, for Antwerp. They were all heavily loaded and carried a large passenger list in every instance. There will be no interruptions to the sailings of this company, according to present plans.

Of the various trans-Atlantic lines represented by the Drogop agency, but two are attempting to move their vessels. The Holland-America line wired: "Holland being neutral, we expect to continue sending out ships on schedule time."

The Rotterdam is expected to sail Tuesday for Rotterdam. With the California, of the Anchor line, scheduled to sail next Saturday for London, the New York agents of the line wire "Nothing at present" to indicate interruption in sailings.



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